

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the indicated paragraphs of the specification in accordance with the amendments indicated below.

Page 11: 2nd full paragraph, amend as indicated below:

[34] In the second double row ball bearing 25, a diameter of the ball 30 in the small-diameter-side row of balls 28 and a diameter of the ball 31 in the large-diameter-side row of balls 29 are equal to each other, while pitch circle diameters D3 and D4 of the respective rows of balls 28 and 29 are different to each other. More specifically, the pitch circle diameter D3 of the ~~large-diameter-side~~ small-diameter-side row of balls 28 is set to a value smaller than that of the pitch circle diameter D4 of the ~~small-diameter-side~~ large-diameter-side row of balls 29. As described, the second double row ball bearing 25 has a double row structure (rows of balls 28 and 29) in which the two rows of balls have the different pitch circle diameters D3 and D4 to each other.

Page 14: Last full paragraph bridging pages 14 and 15, amend as indicated below:

[45] The pinion shaft 7 into which the first assembly component 21 is incorporated is inserted through the one-side opening of the front case 3 from the small-diameter side thereof. At the time, the pinion shaft 7 is inserted so that the balls 18 of the small-diameter-side row of balls 16 of the first assembly component 21 are fitted into the small-diameter outer ring raceway 11b of the first outer ring 11. Further, the pinion shaft 7 is inserted so that the balls 17 of the large-diameter-side row of balls 15 are fitted into the large-diameter outer ring raceway 11a of the first outer ring 11. In order to realize the assembly process described above, the small-diameter-side row of balls ~~[[18]]~~16 is arranged to be closer to a rear side in the direction where the pinion shaft 7 is inserted (the counter-pinion-gear side) than the large-diameter-side row of balls ~~[[16]]~~15.